



013004

04772 U.S. PTO

UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

EXPRESS MAIL # ER 311519165 US

Attorney Docket No.
009.1012 (P1701)

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of () application identifier or (X) first named inventor, NIALL DUFFY, entitled CATHETER AND GUIDEWIRE EXCHANGE SYSTEM WITH IMPROVED CATHETER DESIGN, for a(n):

(X) Original Patent Application.

() Continuing Application (prior application not abandoned):

() Continuation () Divisional () Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No: _____ Filed on: _____

() A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification.

Enclosed are:

(X) Specification; 20 Total Pages.(X) Drawing(s); 5 Total Sheets.

(X) Oath or Declaration:

(X) A Newly Executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney:

(X) Signed.

() Unsigned.

() Partially Signed.

() A Copy from a Prior Application for Continuation/Divisional (37 CFR § 1.63(d)).

() Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference.

() Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)).

(X) Assignment and Recordation Cover Sheet.

() Power of Attorney.

() Associate Power of Attorney.

() Preliminary Amendment.

() A Duplicate Copy of this Form for Processing Fee Against Deposit Account.

() A Certified Copy of Priority Documents (if foreign priority is claimed).

() Applicant claims small entity status.

() Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO/SB/08A, and ___ Reference copies.

(X) Return Receipt Postcard.

(X) A Check in the amount of \$882.00 for the Filing Fee.

() Other: _____

17548 U.S. PTO
10/769582

013004

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | |
|---|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|
| FOR | NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA | RATE | FEE |
| Total Claims | 24 | 4 | \$18.00 | \$72.00 |
| Independent Claims | 3 | -- | \$86.00 | \$ 0.00 |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (if applicable) | | | | \$0.00 |
| Assignment Recording Fee | | | | \$40.00 |
| Basic Filing Fee | | | | \$770.00 |
| Total Filing Fee | | | | \$882.00 |

Charge \$ 0 to Deposit Account 50-2091 pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.25. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-2091.

Respectfully submitted,

By: _____

David K. Benson

Reg. No. 42,314

Date: 30 JAN 2004

Correspondence Address:

CUSTOMER NO. 28,390